

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 5, with the following amended paragraph:

This application is a continuation-in-part of ~~United States provisional application 06/198,069, filed April 17, 2000, a continuation-in-part of United States patent application 09/837,306, filed on April 17, 2001, which claims the benefit of United States provisional application 60/198,069, filed on April 17, 2000 and a continuation-in-part of United States application XX/XXX,XXX, filed by Express Mail (EI125454535US) on October 25, 2001.~~ All of the earlier applications are specifically incorporated by reference herein.

Please replace the abstract at page 114 with the following amended abstract:

Methods useful in constructing libraries that collectively display and/or express members of diverse families of peptides, polypeptides or proteins and the libraries produced using those methods are disclosed. Methods of screening those libraries and the peptides, polypeptides or proteins identified by such screens are also disclosed.